

1. ON MAY 17, SENATE PASSED S. RES. 106, TEXT OF WHICH WAS
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INTO THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD THE FOLLOWING EXCERPTS FROM THE SFRC'S REPORT ON THE RESOLUTION.

2. QUOTE: PURPOSE OF THE RESOLUTION: THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION 106, SPONSORED BY SENATOR PELL AND CO-SPONSORED BY SENATORS LUGAR, CHURCH, MCGOVERN, [ILLEG], ZORINSKY, JAVETS AND [ILLEG] IS TO LEAD THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE PROTECTION TO U.S. GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL SERVING THERE. THE RESOLUTION IS ALSO DESIGNED TO STIMULATE GOVERNMENTS IN OTHER AREAS WHERE THE LIVES OF U.S. OFFICIAL ARE ENDANGERED TO GIVE GREATER ATTENTION TO PROTECTING SUCH OFFICIALS.

3. BACKGROUND: ON FEBRUARY 14, 1979, AMBASSADOR ADOLPH DUBS WAS ABDUCTED BY TERRORISTS IN KABUL AND TAKEN TO THE KABUL HOTEL. DESPITE U.S. GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO PERSUADE THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE TERRORISTS CONCERNING AMBASSADOR DUBS' RELEASE RATHER THAN RESORT TO FORCE, AFGHAN POLICE STORMED THE HOTEL ROOM, AND HE WAS KILLED IN THE SHOOTING THAT TOOK PLACE. THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN HAS REFUSED TO ACKNOWLEDGED ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR AMBASSADOR DUBS' DEATH, STATING THAT ITS ACTIONS WERE IN FACT DESIGNED TO SAVE HIS LIFE.

4. AMBASSADOR DUBS WAS THE FIFTH U.S. AMBASSADOR TO BE KILLED IN RECENT YEARS WHILE SERVING ABROAD. U.S. AMBASSADORS IN CYPRUS, LEBANON, GUATEMALA AND THE SUDAN HAVE ALSO BEEN MURDERED. OTHER U.S. OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN DELIBERATELY KILLED BY TERRORISTS HOSTILE TO THEIR OWN GOVERNMENTS OR TO THE UNITED STATES. DIPLOMATS OF OTHER NATIONS, MANY OF THEM ALLIES OF THE UNITED STATES, HAVE ALSO BEEN KILLED BY TERRORISTS.

5. THE PRACTICE OF DIPLOMACY AND THE FOSTERING OF COMMERCIAL AND OTHER RELATIONS BETWEEN NATIONS ARE SEVERELY HAMPERED BY SUCH EVENTS. THE SUCCESS OF ONE TERRORISTS GROUP PROVIDES ENCOURAGEMENT TO OTHERS, THUS FURTHER INCREASING THE DANGER TO U.S. OFFICIALS. SUCH AN ATMOSPHERE FORCES U.S. OFFICIALS SERVING IN MANY COUNTRIES TO DEVOTE MUCH OF THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO THEIR PHYSICAL SECURITY AND TO THE SAFETY OF THEIR

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FAMILIES AND PREVENTS THEM FROM CARRYING OUT THEIR [ILLEG] IN A NORMAL MANNER. THE FACT THAT U.S. OFFICIALS CONTINUE TO SERVE THEIR COUNTRY UNDER SUCH CONDITIONS IS A TRIBUTE TO THEIR SENSE OF DUTY.

6. THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN, WHICH IS CONTROLLED BY PRO-SOVIET MARXISTS, SEIZED THE CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY IN APRIL 1978. IT APPARENTLY HAS STEADILY LOST WHATEVER POPULARITY IT INITIALLY POSSESSED WITH THE AFGHAN PEOPLE. ITS INCREASINGLY ISOLATED LEADERS HAVE CONDUCTED REPEATED PURGES OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, BOTH CIVIL AND MILITARY, IN ORDER TO INSURE THEIR CONTINUANCE IN OFFICE. WIDESPREAD BUT APIARENTLY DISORGANIZED REBELLIONS AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT ARE TAKING PLACE IN MAY PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. UNQUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

